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In re application of:	Confirmation No. 5411
Tooru Suzuki et al.	Examiner: Hiep T. Nguyen
Application No.: 10/685,718	Technology Center/Art Unit: 2187
Filed: October 14, 2003	AMENDMENT
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DATA DUPLEXING IN STORAGE UNIT SYSTEM	
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 3, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.